

December 13, 1945

Funeral Services For Mrs. Chas. Johnson Held Monday

Alma, Theresia Peterson was born in Ruda, Sweden, April 13, 1879, the eldest in a family of ten children and came to America to make her home in 1899.

On March 16, 1907, she was united in marriage with Charles Johnson in Indiana, and in 1910 they came to Brown county, South Dakota and established a home on the farm in East Hanson, where she passed away on Dec. 6, 1945, at the age of 66 years.

Four sons were born to this union two of whom passed away in infancy. They resided for a few years in Groton to take advantage of better educational facilities for their sons and while here she was a faithful worker in the Methodist church.

Afflicted some years ago with an ailment for which medical science could do little, she grew gradually worse, suffering intensely much of the time. In spite of this she never lost her interest in the outside world and visitors always found her cheerful and thinking of others.

She took a special delight in her grandchildren and was continually planning for their pleasure. One event which she particularly enjoyed and that the children eagerly anticipated was her annual Christmas party for members of her family and intimate friends.

Those who survive are her husband, two sons, Raymond and Chester, eight grandchildren, her aged mother, one sister and two brothers living in Sweden, three sisters, Mrs. Gus Lindstrom and Mrs. Ernest Tilly of Rockford, Ill., Mrs. Elmer Strom of Seattle, Wash., and two brothers, Arvid and Oscar of Groton, besides a host of friends to whom her courageous spirit will ever be an inspiration.

Funeral services were in charge of the Paetznick Funeral Home, with the Rev. L. C. Benson officiating at the Methodist church in Groton, Monday, Dec. 10, 1945. Pallbearers were Alfred Johnson, Algot Johnson, Wm. Heitman, Glen Honey, Carl Strom and Carl Lundmann. Interment was made at the Groton Union Cemetery.

Friends and neighbors regret the passing of a good neighbor and a kind and much loved friend who was always cheerful in spite of her years of suffering and illness.